



**Calgary Board
of Education**

Nose Creek School

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Dear Grade Four Parents/Guardians:

Nose Creek School is fortunate to be hiring an additional grade 4 teacher. Interviews are currently being conducted to hire the new grade four teacher as soon as possible. This staff member is going to help alleviate the large class sizes, which have occurred with this grade four group. In doing so, class sizes will be reduced from 29 students per class to 23-24 students per class. Smaller class sizes provide the opportunity for more one-on-one support for student needs and stronger teacher-student relationships. With smaller classes, students will be able to feel better supported during their transition from elementary to middle school. To accommodate this change some students will experience a change in homeroom teacher. The new homeroom will still be located in the grade four hallway and the student lockers will remain the same.

For the first reporting period student assessment will be a combination of current teachers and subsequent reporting done with a student's new teacher. Teachers of all the grade four classes are working together to ensure students at this level are at the same point in the curriculum so academically there will be no negative impact with this transition.

The staff at Nose Creek is working hard to ensure a smooth transition. Once the new teacher is identified, prior to being assigned their homeroom students, they will have a transitional period working with the current grade four teachers and students. All parents/guardians of students who will be transitioning to a new classroom will be contacted directly prior to the move. If you have any questions about this change please contact the grade four learning leader, Mr. Baker, by calling the school at 403-817-3360 or by email at cdbaker@cbe.ab.ca. I can also be contacted at cawhittaker@cbe.ab.ca or by calling the school.

Sincerely,

Cheryl Whittaker
Acting Principal
Nose Creek School